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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:
Inventor **MARCO TARTAGNI**
For: **CAPACITIVE DISTANCE SENSOR**

☐ **APPLICANT(S) CLAIMS SMALL ENTITY STATUS. SEE 37 CFR 1.27.**

This is a CONTINUING ☒ DIVISIONAL CONTINUATION-IN-PART of prior application No. 09/999,065 filed October 30, 2001, application No. 09/019,496 filed February 5, 1998.

Enclosed are:

- 15 Pages of Specification
4 Sheet(s) of drawing (☒ formal ☐ informal)
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INDEP CLAIMS	4	-3=	1	\$	OR	X 86	\$ 86.00
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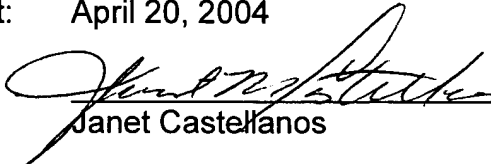
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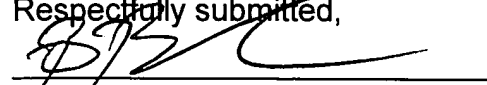
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